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## Comment of the day

### Imbalance of generosity

THE news that Hongkong will feel the pinch of US restrictions aimed at halting the outflow of gold will be received with regret and no doubt some bewilderment too. It seems strange that a territory so deservingly of aid itself and with such a considerable refugee problem should be singled out as one in which US economic aid money may not be spent.

This expenditure, running into several million dollars a year, has brought valuable business to a number of concerns, and by benefiting local industry it can be said to have contributed to our present hard-won prosperity. It is not certain exactly how much Hongkong will lose. Compared with Japan's loss of US\$120 million, our own is small, but added to the recent loss of U.S. Naval purchases and potential Army and Air Force orders for PX stores overseas, the total cannot be lightly shrugged off.

### Staggering

FOR the countries receiving American aid, the news is also a blow. If the effect is to transfer orders from Asian to American suppliers they will find that their dollars will buy less. There is a suggestion too, that some recipients of aid may now cut off as much of their normal commercial transactions with America as possible, using only aid money to finance essential American imports. In this event the benefit to America of the latest dollar-saving move could be considerably reduced.

The current gold drain is a complicated question but America's anxiety is understandable. US gold reserves are now below \$18,000 million, the lowest since before the war. In addition, the November outflow of almost \$500 million was said to be a record since 1931. And for a country which has so generously distributed aid in the postwar years the time has clearly come to put an end to unnecessary extravagance.

Aid figures are staggering. America has been helping under-developed countries to the tune of \$2,500 million a year. In addition American concerns have been investing abroad at the rate of \$4,000 million a year. There is also a heavy defence aid expenditure on top of which West Germany, which has been "hoarding" gold in recent months, is reluctant to take as great a share of the burden of international economic assistance as America would wish.

### Selfish

IN the light of these considerations Hongkong will possibly feel that however great its own need, it would be selfish to complain. Hongkong, like the other 18 countries affected, is described as "financially strong." It is true we have no gold dollar shortage as other parts of the Commonwealth, and our currency is strong and stable but whether as one cable suggests Hongkong "can afford to get along without the indirect U.S. help that results from overseas procurements of U.S. aid goods" is debatable. We value every order we receive and our economy is not so secure that we can watch several million dollars worth of business fly out of the window without any qualms at all.

The general hope must be that the "imbalance of generosity" which America is now said to be suffering from, gets no worse. If it does, American investment in the Colony, tourist spending and even, imports may be subject to controls. Unfortunately there are no signs of an early improvement and the world will have cause to ponder in the next few months just how generously America has spread her wealth around the world and how much the "developed" nations as much as the under-developed nations have benefited.

# Opening for outside power to take over UN CHIEF'S CONGO WARNING

## Withdraw and everything will crumble

United Nations, Dec. 7. Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjöld told the Security Council today that if the United Nations were to withdraw its forces from the Congo now, "everything would crumble," opening the way for an outside power to take over.

## Men still alive in ship after Pearl Harbour bombing

New York, Dec. 7. On the 19th anniversary of Pearl Harbour, the New Bedford Standard-Times today published the report of U.S. Navy records showing there was life aboard the sunken battleship West Virginia for 16 to 17 days.

The newspaper said the information had been kept secret as "confidential" for more than 18 years until it was declassified for Donald R. Lattimore of the Standard-Times. Washington Bureau for publication today.

Lattimore's story quoted the report of salvage officers that a calendar found in a storeroom of the old battleship had an "X" marked on each date from December 7, to December 23, 1941, inclusive.

### LOWER SHELF

Three bodies were found on the lower shelf of the ship's store room, which was open to a fresh water pump room—presumably the battle station assigned to those men, the newspaper said.

The emergency rations at this station had been consumed and a manhole to the fresh-water tank below the pump had been removed, the newspaper quoted from the salvage officers' report.

There was no identification of the three bodies in the report.

Two officers and 103 enlisted men lost their lives when the West Virginia was hit by two bombs and six aerial torpedoes which sent her to the bottom of the Pacific Ocean during the attack by 100 Japanese planes on December 7, 1941.

### 66 RECOVERED

"During the salvage operation 66 bodies were recovered from the West Virginia. These were found widely scattered throughout the ship. In most cases they were in an advanced state of decomposition and considerably dismembered."

There was evidence that some of the men had lived for considerable periods and finally succumbed due to lack of oxygen. In the after engine room several bodies were found lying on top of the steam pipes, which were probably within the air bubble existing in that flooded space."

The West Virginia salvage operation was completed on May 17, 1942.

The 22-year-old battleship was raised to the surface and returned to combat duty at Leyte in the Philippines in October, 1944.—AP.

### Fulbright?

New York, Dec. 8. The Chicago Sun-Times said today "it can be authoritatively reported" that Senator J. William Fulbright will be president-elect Kennedy's Secretary of State.—AP.

## Rescue 'copter crashes

Nicosia, Dec. 7. A helicopter plunged into the sea off Cyprus today while taking part in a daring air-sea rescue of 21 seamen from a storm-tossed Yugoslav ship which had itself gone to aid a Japanese ship.

The helicopter was said to have struck the mast of the ship, the 1,227-ton Snekznik, whose position was described by port sources at Famagusta tonight as "very dangerous."

Another helicopter picked up its two-man crew.

Helicopters and lifeboats took off 21 of the 25 crew of the Snekznik. Tonight the captain and three others were still aboard the ship, which was listing to port in high seas with a cracked hull.

The Snekznik had gone to the aid of the 8,224-ton Japanese ship Nagato Maru which ran around off eastern Cyprus yesterday.

The authorities said the Nagato Maru, was in no immediate danger. Her crew of about 80 are awaiting tugs from the Lebanon, expected to arrive early tomorrow.—Reuters.

## Discoverer satellite launched

Vandenberg, Dec. 7. Discoverer satellite—driven by a more powerful engine—rocketed into orbit sky spy space system to guard against a possible today to help permit today Pearl Harbour.

The Air Force announced two hours after the 81-foot bullet shaped rocket roared off its seaside launch pad that it had successfully hurled a 25-foot long satellite into orbit over the Pole. It was picked up by a Kodiak, Alaska radar station on its first trip around the world.

Inside the satellite was a 300-pound capsule containing human tissue that the Air Force hoped to recover from orbit. Officers said the capsule would be left in orbit more than the usual 17 passes if everything went well.

### Near perfect

The orbit of the satellite appeared near perfect for a recovery attempt. The Air Force announced it took the 2,100-pound satellite 94 minutes to complete a trip around the world. It swung in as close as 150 miles and as far away as 450 miles from earth on its orbit, officers said.

Air Force officers would not comment when asked if the Discoverer carried any spy sky gear—cameras or the like. They said other than the radiation gear aboard the capsule, the payload was classified.—UPI.

## Vanishing gold

Paris, Dec. 7.

About 55 lbs of gold, worth \$20,000 disappeared today after arriving here by air from London, airport officials said.

The gold, consigned to the Bank of Indo-China at Vientiane, was last seen being driven towards a transfer shed after being unloaded from the aircraft.—Reuters.

## Youths charged with murder

Worthing, Dec. 7.

Three youths were jointly charged in court here today with the murder of 61-year-old bank guard John Henry Pull, shot last month during a raid on a Lloyd's bank.

Previously, they had been charged separately.

A new charge against all three today was "that, armed with a shotgun, they robbed Mr. Andrew John Barker, bank teller, of £1,372 at the bank at Durrington near here.

The youths are Alan Alfred George Foster, 20, Victor John Terry, 20, and a 16-year-old youth unnamed because of his age.

Joan Salter, previously charged with receiving stolen goods, was charged today with "concealing, harbouring and maintaining" Terry knowing that Terry "had murdered John Henry Pull."

All four, in custody, since their arrest, today made their first appearance together in court as the prosecuting counsel outlined his case against them.

The hearing continued.—China Mail Special.

## New Year & Queen's Birthday awards presented by Governor

Thirty-five residents of the Colony including nine servicemen today received insignia for honours awarded last New Year and on the occasion of the Queen's Birthday at a ceremony at Government House this morning.

The Governor, Sir Robert Black, wearing full ceremonial uniform, made the presentations to leading Government officials, a university professor, an Executive Council member, a master of a leading school, a matron of Queen Mary Hospital, a leading social worker, civil servants of various ranks, intrepid firemen who made gallant rescue, as well as a zealous and enthusiastic Gurkha cook.

In addition Sir Robert Black conferred appointments on nine members of the Most Venerable Order of the Hospital of St John of Jerusalem.

Attending the ceremony were members of the Legislative Council, members of the Judiciary, heads of Government Departments, members of Constabulary Corps, and relatives of the recipients.

Red and black robed Sir Michael Hogan, Chief Justice, read the citations.

The following is a list of the recipients of insignia with the citations:

### OBE (Civil)

**MR. J. J. COWPERTHWAIT**  
Mr Cowperthwaite has carried out very important duties in the financial and economic branches of the Administration, particularly since 1955. He has acted as Financial Secretary and Director of Commerce and Industry and has held the substantive post of Deputy Financial Secretary since November, 1958. He has represented Hongkong abroad at a number of occasions dealing with economic and commercial problems. His ability is exceptional and he has in consequence been called on to carry additional responsibilities from time to time and he has coped with them well.

**PROFESSOR F. S. DRAKE**  
For over 40 years Professor Drake has devoted himself to active academic work in China, and, during the last 10 years, he has been a member of the Department of Chinese and the Institute of Oriental Studies in the University of Hongkong to its present standard of eminence in the scholarly world. With his knowledge of Chinese and his fine scholarship, he and the scholars he has attracted to his school are making a very valuable contribution to the study and preservation of Chinese culture in Hongkong.

**DR. A. M. RODRIGUES**  
Dr Rodrigues has been a leading member of the Portuguese community since 1945. He is a member of a nominated member of Urban Council, was an Unofficial Member of Legislative Council from 1955 until June, 1959, and has served as an Unofficial Member of Executive Council since 1959.

Major Francis showed high devotion to duty whilst employed as a Senior Instructor in Gunnery, Royal Artillery, Training Wing in Germany. Besides being a first-class marksman, he has helped to avoid delays in training. His handling of the training area resulted in commendable results.

**MR. H. N. WILLIAMSON**  
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## Religious clause in will invalid

Sydney, Dec. 7. The Full Court has ruled invalid a clause in a man's will which required the wives of his sons to change their religion.

Claude William Ebbeck, garage proprietor, of East Maitland, 100 miles north of Sydney, who died on July 22, 1957, made the will.

His three sons, all Protestants, had Roman Catholic wives. The will gave the sons interests in Ebbeck's estate.

But no son was to receive his share unless his wife became a Protestant.

Any share which lapsed was to go to charities.

The court ruled on a majority that the clause was contrary to public policy and void.—China Mail Special.

## Norwegian tanker ablaze

Rotterdam, Dec. 7. The Norwegian motor tanker Havilde (10,132 tons) is believed on fire near Cape Bon, radio messages monitored in Rotterdam and Den Helder said today.

Deftwaggers Shipping Agency reported that the Liberian vessel World Influence (25,031 tons) had picked up a lifeboat containing survivors from the Havilde.

According to messages monitored from the World Influence the Havilde's engine room is ablaze and the tanker's crew has abandoned ship.—AP.

London, Dec. 7.

A warning went out today to all shipping in the English Channel, after the U.S. freighter Helen Lykes had reported sighting an object like a mine about 22 miles off Deal, Kent, British naval patrols at once started a search.—AP.

## PETITION TO GOVERNOR

Between 100 and 150 former tenants of houses in Hill-road, Western District, which had been demolished after they were certified dangerous, went to Government House this morning to hand in a petition for the Governor, Sir Robert Black. Their petition asked the Governor to help them recover the balance of compensation promised them by the owners.

After handing their petition the group dispersed quietly.

## French engineer killed

A French engineer engaged in construction work at the Shek Pik Reservoir site was killed at 11.15 pm yesterday when he was knocked down by a lorry. The man was guiding a reversing lorry at the time of the accident.

The name of the deceased has been withheld pending notification of next of kin in France.

## DROPS DEAD

Stockholm, Dec. 7. Mrs. Raghild Svanstrom, a member of the Lower House of the Swedish Parliament, dropped dead today at the rostrum just as she was about to speak. A doctor gave the cause of death as heart failure.—AP.



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## West Irian issue

## RAHMAN DID NOT MISUSE RIGHTS, INDONESIA SAYS

Djakarta, Dec. 7.

Foreign Office spokesman, Mr. Ganis Harsono, said today the Indonesian government did not believe the Malaysian Premier, Tunku Abdul Rahman had misused his rights as a mediator in his efforts to settle the Dutch-Indonesian quarrel over West New Guinea (West Irian).

## Father canes son by order of court

Adelaide, Dec. 7.

An eight-year-old boy who had admitted having caused almost £200 worth of damage in a suburban church was given three cuts with a cane by his father yesterday.

The punishment was ordered by Juvenile Court Magistrate Mr. W. A. Seales, and administered in the presence of a court officer.

The boy had admitted damaging an organ, book case, prayer books, hymn books, music books and other property in the Church on September 19, and also admitted damaging a glass door panel, a window and other property at a nearby high school on August 28.

## 'TOO MANY'

The boy's father said he earned £15 a week, had five children, and did not know how he could pay for the damage, as he was paying 25 off a television set and refrigerator out of his wages.

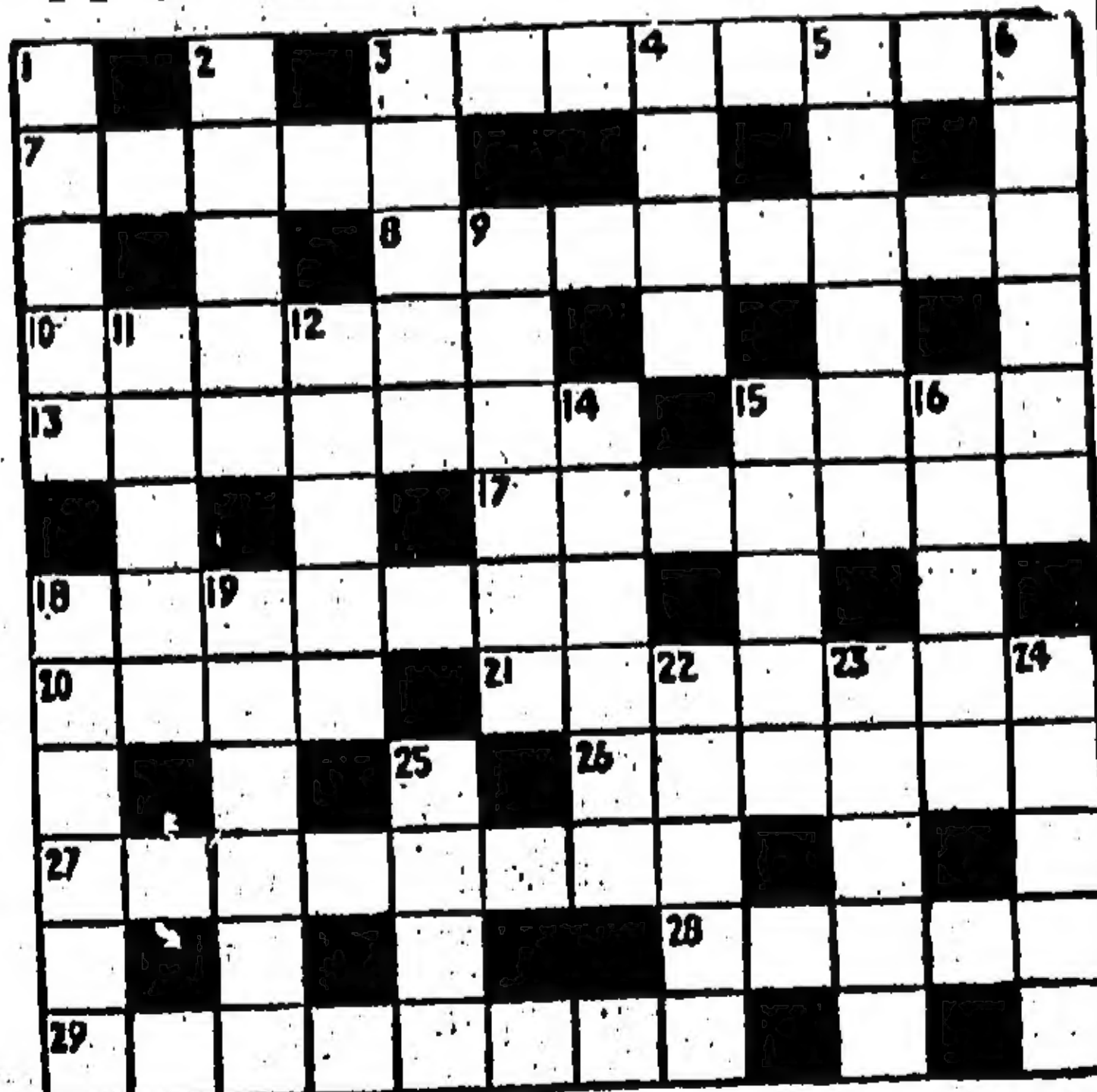
The magistrate said some people had "too many children" and the state had to look after them when the parents could not do so.

"I smacked my children when they were three," Mr. Seales said.

"It was not a question of brutality. All children are mischievous, but if you take a stand early you don't have any more trouble."

The father agreed to the magistrate's suggestion that he administer three cuts with a cane to the boy, and when told this had been done he dismissed the charge relating to the Church, and on the charge regarding damage at the school, ordered that the boy's conduct be supervised by the children's Welfare Department. — China Mail Special.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



## ACROSS

- 3 Type of shellfish (8).
- 7 Call briefly (5).
- 8 Mob member (5).
- 10 Knock (6).
- 12 Service formation (7).
- 13 Gardening plan? (4).
- 17 German pistols (7).
- 18 Special match (7).
- 20 Prepare to publish (4).
- 21 Neck-chops (7).
- 26 World War II fieldmarshal (6).
- 27 Scottish city (6).
- 28 Cannibalised? (5).
- 29 Greenhouse flowers (8).

## DOWN

- 1 Available for use (5).
- 2 Wheel cog (5).
- 3 Not law-breaking (5).
- 4 Likes gardening? (4).
- 5 Irritating noise (6).
- 6 Service headwear (6).
- 9 Nuclear (6).
- 11 Longed for (6).
- 12 Two-way principle (5).
- 14 Personal character (6).
- 15 Song of David (5).
- 16 Deliver rhetorically (6).
- 18 Sake or cause (6).
- 19 Creed description (6).
- 22 Musical modulations (5).
- 23 There's nothing in it (6).
- 24 Arm support (5).
- 25 Poetic efforts (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD: Across: 1. Burns, 5. Clutch, 8. Heron, 9. Call in, 10. Uter, 11. Nerve, 12. Dingo, 13. Irene, 14. Go West, 15. Terror, 16. Ploce, 17. Dora, 18. Hunt, 19. Idiot, 20. Direct, 21. Elder, 22. Dandy, 23. Dealer, 24. Down, 25. Back-drop, 26. Rejoice, 27. Thin, 28. Senator, 29. Courier, 30. Inters, 31. Clean, 32. Eternity, 33. Elevator, 34. Gravelly, 35. Wounded, 36. Echoed, 37. India, 38. Tire.

## Duchess seeks help of jewel thief

London, Dec. 7.

A self-confessed jewel thief, has been approached in prison on behalf of the Duchess of Windsor, who wants to recover some of her property he stole 14 years ago, according to a report in today's Daily Mail.

Daily Mail diarist Paul Tanfield said 50-year-old Richard Dunphie, now serving seven years in Norwich prison in eastern England for thefts including that of jewels from the Duchess, had written to friends saying he had been approached on behalf of the Duchess.

Dunphie broke into a country house near London where the Duke and Duchess were staying 14 years ago, and escaped with a £20,000 haul, including diamonds and rings that once belonged to King Edward VII early this century.

Tanfield said Dunphie's friends "outside" thought further attempts would be made to persuade Dunphie to help the Duchess recover some of the loot.

**SENTIMENTAL VALUE**  
"She does not expect to get all her jewels back," he wrote. "What she particularly wants are the tie-pins and two brooches which were given to her by the Duke and which have a particular sentimental value."

Mr Tanfield added that the Duchess had "powerful allies." Dunphie's 20-year career of thieving from "the best people" included an £18,000 haul from

## French Assembly row

Paris, Dec. 7.

A French National Assembly debate on Algeria was suspended in tumult tonight after a conservative deputy had made a violent attack on the government and General de Gaulle.

Gaullist deputies left their benches and were moving menacingly on the conservative critic, jostling his supporters.

## Killed by ambush

Bangkok, Dec. 7.

Two Burmese immigration officers were killed and another two are missing after a five-man patrol was ambushed by Muslim Mujahid rebels at the Burmese-Pakistan frontier, it was disclosed today. The fifth member of the patrol was captured by the rebels.—AFP.

when the Acting Speaker suspended the session and ordered the chamber cleared.

The incident occurred when Mr. Henri Tremolet de Villers, who is strongly pro-French Algeria, declared: "France is not decadent, but her leaders can be old, weary and sad."

The Acting Speaker, Mr. Jean Chamant, also a conservative, called on Mr. Tremolet de Villers to withdraw words which he described as insulting to the head of state. General de Gaulle is 70.

Mr. Tremolet de Villers denied that his remarks were insulting. —Reuter.

## French denial

Paris, Dec. 7.

Reports that 61 French generals had signed a letter expressing their dissatisfaction with the French government's policy on Algeria were firmly denied today by a spokesman for the Armed Forces Ministry.

He described as stupid rumours that Generals Lavaud and Zeller had gone to Touraine to engage in plotting.—AFP.

## Mikoyan toasts for K at reception

Moscow, Dec. 7.

Mr. Anastas Mikoyan, Soviet First Deputy Prime Minister, announced for the first time officially tonight that Mr. Khrushchev has influenza and his doctors would not allow him out of bed to attend tonight's Kremlin reception in honour of the Chinese head of state, Mr. Liu Shao-chi.

Mr. Mikoyan stepped to the microphone in the St. George's Hall to make the announcement after President Leonid Brezhnev and Mr. Liu had exchanged speeches hailing the "unbreakable Soviet-Chinese friendship."

Mr. Mikoyan said Mr. Khrushchev had asked him to make a toast on his behalf to Soviet-Chinese friendship and to Mr. Mao Tse-tung. Mr. Liu, Mr. Chou En-lai and Vice-Premier Chu Teh personally.

Mr. Mikoyan tapped the microphone to attract attention and then said, "You are probably surprised that a person who is so fond of making such great toasts to a great Soviet-Chinese friendship specially on such an occasion as this, is absent today."

"But Comrade Khrushchev has slight trouble with the gripe (flu) and gripe is stronger than the human will."

## PREVENTED

"He could have overcome this trouble if the doctors had permitted. But they did not let him come. They are stronger than the gripe and he has to stay in bed."

"Comrade Khrushchev has asked me to make a toast here to the great Soviet-Chinese unbreakable friendship and personally to Mao Tse-tung, Liu Shao-chi, Chou En-lai and Chu Teh. So let us fulfil his wish."

Mr. Mikoyan raised a glass of Georgian wine, walked over to Mr. Liu and clinked glasses. The other members of the party Presidium followed.—Reuter.

The Irishman, Patrick Coyle, a labourer, of Vauxhall-road, Preston, who was stabbed in the back in the fracas, later died, said Mr. Bezzley.

The trouble started after Coyle entered the public house accompanied by a girl who had once lived with one of the Pakistanis, he said.

Before the court accused of Coyle's murder were Mohammed Sabir, 30, and Aktar Hussain, 28, both foundry workers, Nazir Hussain, 28, mill labourer, and Fazal Hussain, 34, labourer.—AFP.

## Ghana denies

A report that the Accra constituency branch of the Government Convention Peoples Party had passed a resolution seeking the withdrawal of Ghana troops from the United Nations Command in the Congo was denied tonight by the chairman of the branch, Mr. E. C. Quayson.—Reuter.

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## FURS

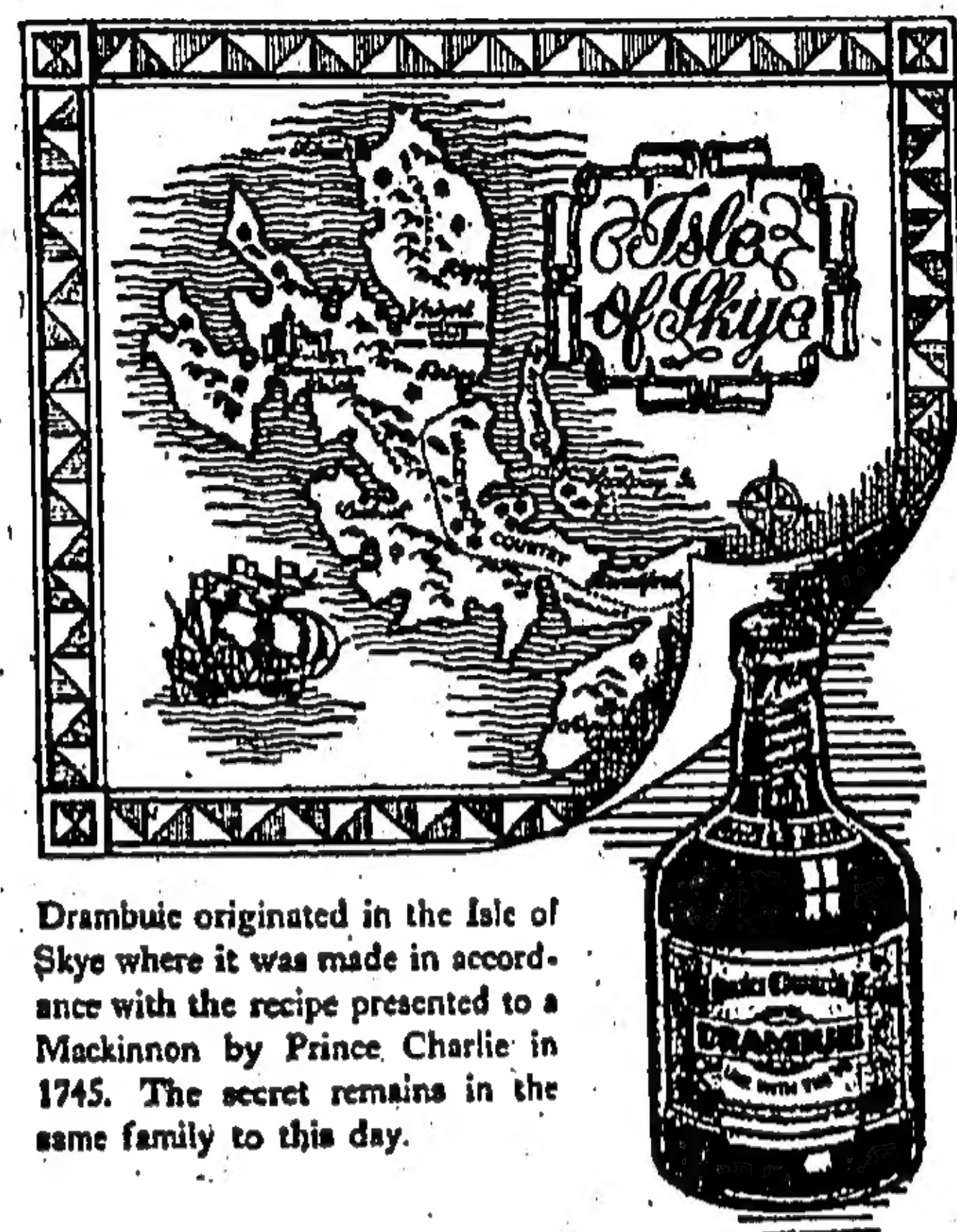
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policies  
get US praise

Washington, Dec. 7.

The Commerce Department reported today that Hongkong's economic policies have paved the way for the colony's rise to a position of commercial eminence.

The policies were regarded as a basis for Hongkong's "impressive adjustment to industrialization to provide economic support for the colony's rapidly growing population."

The comment was contained in introduction to an informational bulletin, edited for businessmen, on the Hongkong licensing and exchange controls system.

The report said Hongkong has a fairly extensive system of exchange regulations designed to keep certain currency exchanges under surveillance rather than actually to ration foreign exchange.

## Unique

"The colony's fortunate and somewhat unique foreign exchange position derives from a healthy foreign trade situation, buttressed by large and expanding invisible exchange earnings, that is, shipping, banking, insurance, tourism and remittances," the report said.

"The consequent abundance of foreign exchange operates, of course, to generate an increasing volume of exchange-earning transactions."

The commerce department said that Hongkong continues its important stake in foreign trade, but the colony's existence now depends largely upon the sale of products of local industries, and to a less extent than formerly upon importation of commodities for re-export.

In a separate publication, the commerce department reported that United States imports for consumption from Hongkong in 1959 were valued at \$89,541,000 (U.S.) compared with \$51,721,000 in 1958.

United States exports including re-exports, to Hongkong in 1959 were \$95,867,000 (U.S.) against \$71,351,000 in the previous year.—UPI.

PACIFIC  
FLIGHTS  
START  
TODAYLondon, Dec. 8.  
The start today of a thrice weekly Trans-Pacific service by a Rolls-Royce powered Boeing 707, will provide the fastest scheduled crossing between Tokyo and Hongkong (via Honolulu and San Francisco), a Boac announcement today said.

It will also mark the opening of the corporations round-the-world service by jet airliner exclusively. The jet liner, which replaces the jet-prop Britannia, will carry 129 passengers, 32 first class and 97 economy.

The time from Hongkong to San Francisco is 17 hours 20 minutes, against 26 hours by Britannia and in the opposite direction 20 hours 45 minutes, 31 hours 35 minutes. The total journey time from London to Hongkong, via U.S.A. will be 30 hours 45 minutes, against 37 hours 35 minutes, and from Hongkong to London 20 hours 45 minutes, against 29 hours 45 minutes.—AFP.

HK NAVAL BASE  
QUESTION  
IN COMMONSLondon, Dec. 7.  
Miss Joan Vicker (Conservative) asked Mr Ian Orr-Ewing, Civil Lord of the Admiralty, in the House of Commons today, what plans he had for the reorganisation of the naval base at Hongkong.

Mr Orr-Ewing replied: "Since the closure of the Naval Dockyard in November 1959 work has proceeded, with the establishment of a small ship maintenance base. He said, it had always been recognised that the present married quarters were below standard, but the lease ran out in 1962, by which time the Admiralty would have provided new married accommodation at Hongkong Island.—Reuter.

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## dear sir

Nemesis visits  
Lumumba

Isn't this unholy fume about the alleged ill-treatment of Lumumba by Col. Mobutu rather overplaying the tune, letting the pot call the kettle black without noticing the colour of the complainant?

Have we forgotten the scendish glee with which the now humbled Lumumba permitted his own troops to rape and ravish the innocent women and children, slaughtering and mistreating whom they would, looting and shooting indiscriminately the very moment they gained independence, on the very day when their country had shed the bond of colonialism and taken its place among the free nations of the world?

Who then lodged any complaint with Lumumba and his henchmen who, thumbed their snubbed noses at the United Nations and would have murdered Col. Mobutu without compunction had they got the opportunity? Nemesis has at long last — long overdue — visited upon Lumumba, for who live by the sword must expect to perish by the sword, and yet the world hypocritically condemns Mobutu for what Lumumba himself would have cheerfully done to his opponent.

INDEPENDENT OBSERVER.  
(Letter cut because of lack of space.—Ed.)Dual-purpose  
vehicles

What are the measures and precautions the Traffic Department are taking to safeguard the lives of the human cargo carried by Dual-purpose when in transit?

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The under-signed, in company with a friend boarded a Dual-purpose vehicle which was plying for hire in the Hung-hom district and the fare asked for the distance Hung-hom-Yau-mat was 30 cts. After paying the required amount, we did not receive a ticket, and it would be interesting to find out what steps have been taken regarding tax returns on such moneys paid during the course of a year.

MAC.

## \$40,000 bail

Keng Hek-shan, alias Huw-thorn King was remanded until January 17 on bail in the sum of \$40,000 at the Victoria District Court today. He has pleaded not guilty to 17 charges of forging invoices with intent to defraud. He was employed by the Wico Trading Company.

## Blankets received

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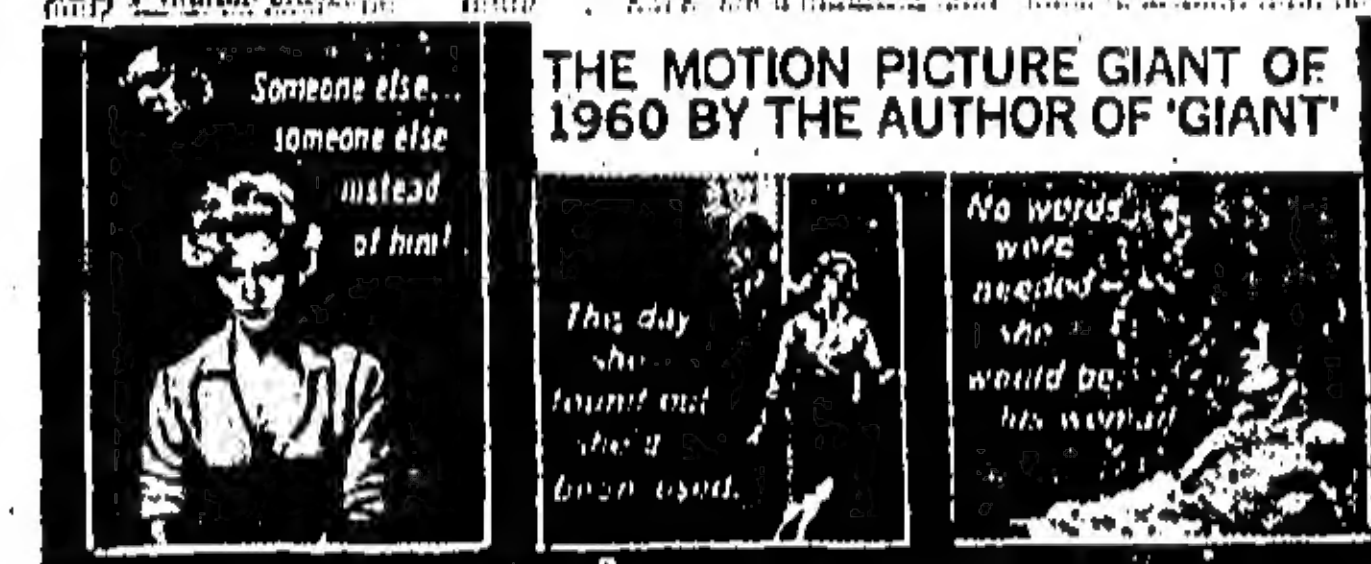
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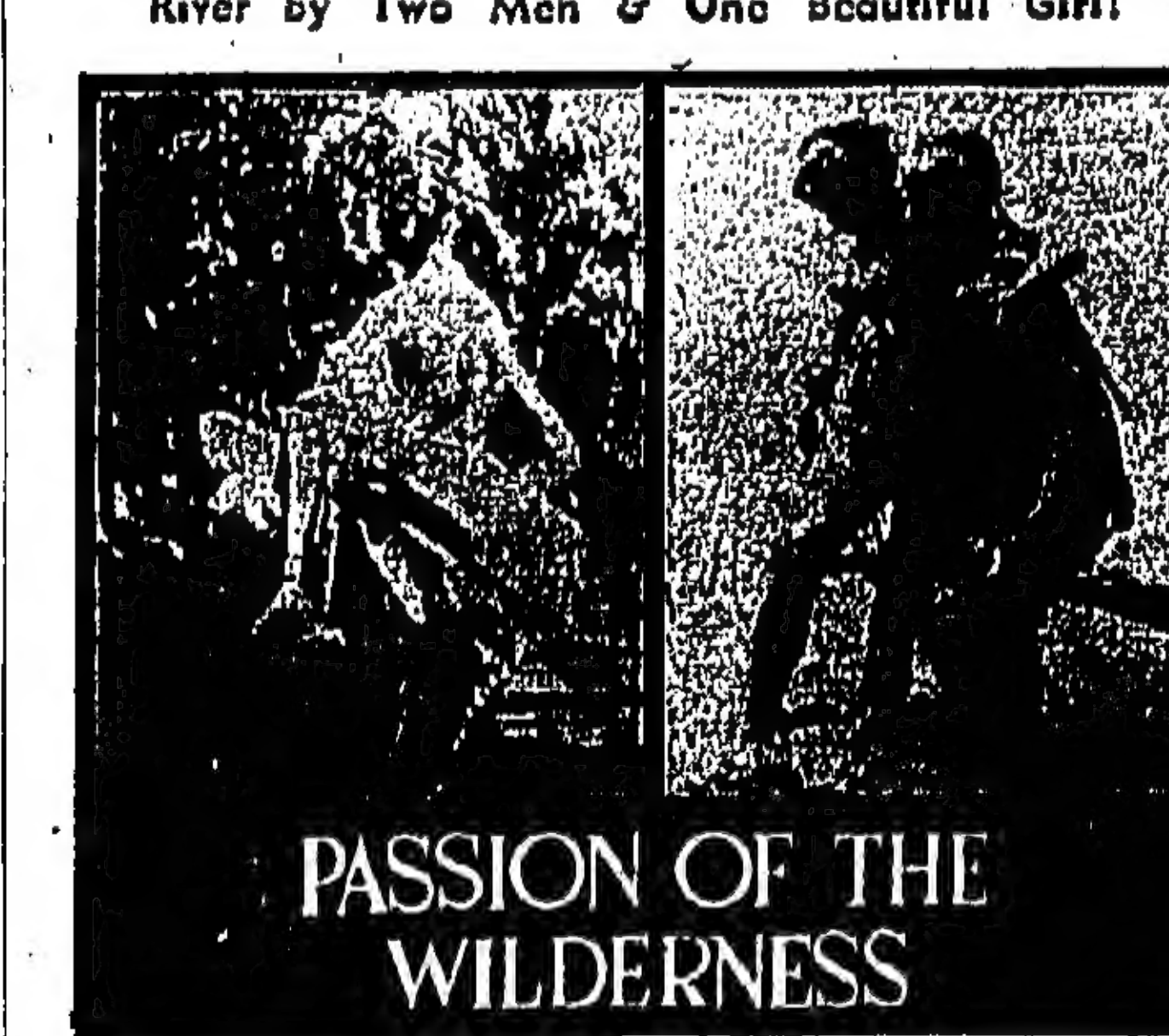
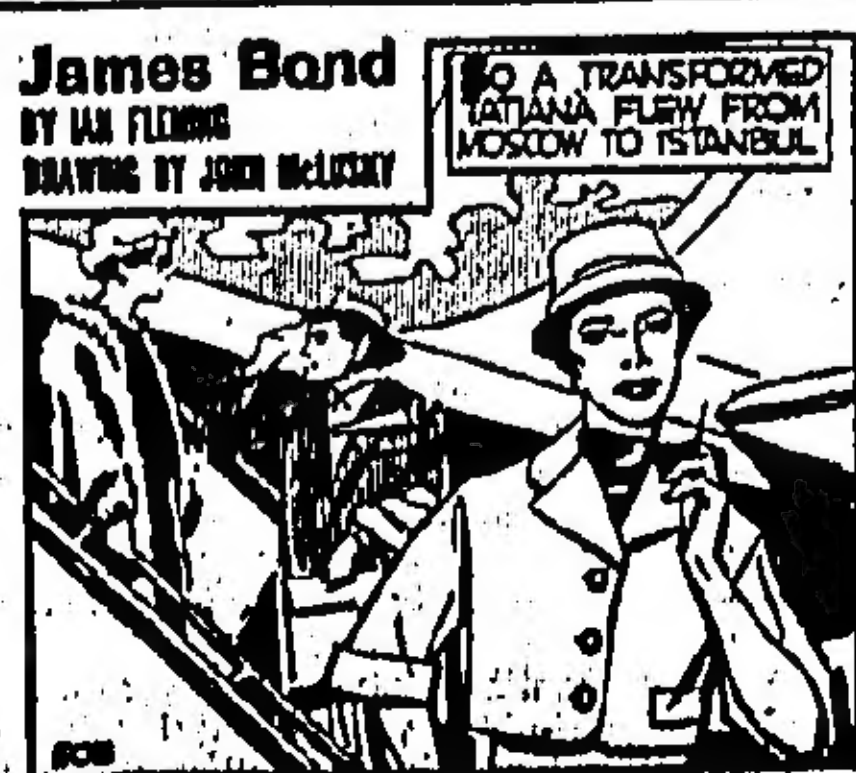
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## Presenting the next American President: KENNEDY—now we'll

NEW YORK. JOHN FITZGERALD KENNEDY is the first President of the United States to be born in the 20th century and the youngest man ever to be elected to what Thomas Jefferson called the splendid misery of the most powerful office in the free world.

He came to this campaign totally without myth and aura. He did not carry the glamour of Roosevelt or wear the mantle of Eisenhower.

He was simply the junior senator from Massachusetts with a voting record that nobody could call sensational. He lacks warm eloquence or the silver tongue of Adlai Stevenson.

He makes no attempt to court or comfort his audience.

He tells them that if they do not care about America's future then they damn well ought to care. "I don't know how Ambassador Kennedy raised his children," someone said. "But I suspect he raised them to lift a banner across the bottom of which was written: 'And who in hell are you?'"

### Frenzy

In the last golden days of his campaign, I watched him speak at street corners around New York, and at the sound of his hard, uncomfortable sentences a kind of epidemic frenzy seemed to seize crowds.

In a magic way he can rub two dry facts together, and start a fire.

"Do you remember," said Adlai Stevenson, "that in classical times when Cicero had finished speaking, the people said: 'How well he spoke!' but when Demosthenes had finished speaking, the people said: 'Let us march!'"

The root of his sorcery cannot be merely glandular, or religious. The most optimistic reason I can give is that he represents a spirit of renewal and renaissance in American life, that he shares with Stevenson a vision of new departures.

### The storm

He appears to have something of what Harry Truman said was the strength of successful presidents—the ability to make people do what they do not want to do, and like it. "I desperately," he would say again and again, "I desperately want to see the United States move forward." Of course, his prestige was enormously helped by his performances on television.

This was a revolution in USA politics where it is a golden rule that an established political figure should ignore his opponent.

Roosevelt would sometimes go through an entire campaign without once mentioning the name of the Republican nominee.

Nixon's top advisers now believe that he should have refused to face Kennedy right back in July and bank on the

## see changes in foreign policy

by Jeremy Campbell

storm blowing over by November.

For it was here that Kennedy proved that his quick, capacious mind was not dependent on speech writers.

It was here he showed that if he makes mistakes in office at least they are likely to be his own mistakes.

Eisenhower liked to delegate authority, committees spawned and multiplied around him. Kennedy quite clearly intends to be his own master in the White House.

### Force needed

"We prize individualism, and rightly so," he said, "but we need a cohesive force in America. That force is the Presidency."

Kennedy claims that Eisenhower failed to give America the leadership it needed and that the reason for that failure was his lack of appetite for politics.

Nobody could accuse John F. Kennedy of lacking a taste for the mechanics of political advancement. He is a cool, skilful manipulator of those people who are likely to do him the most good. But even in the thick of it he is curiously detached.

Earlier this year rebel Democrats called him a chromium-plated politician, a hollow man who lacks any deep feelings. They saw in his past a pattern of retreat before pressure. They described his voting record in the Senate as reflection of his deep desire some day to become the President of the United States.

They pointed at his policy of discreet silence on McCarthy, the most unworthy part of his whole career.

Tested in the crucible of a white-hot campaign Kennedy seems to have proved them wrong. The party hierarchy have often urged him to moderate his views on dangerous issues such as equal rights for Negroes. Kennedy has stubbornly refused to comply.

You can be sure that not everyone will be enchanted to see him running the nation, but America's allies have had their nerves rubbed raw by the increasing fragmentation of power

in Washington during Eisenhower's reign.

From this sprang the shelved responsibility of the U-2 incident and the casual leakage of policy statements which should have been a matter for negotiation between the Western powers.

### Strong man

Will they be sorry to see a strong man in the White House? For eight years it has been considered dangerous to have brains in the White House. Soon they will be around again, and very few of the new men will easily succumb to sentimentality as far as Britain is concerned.

Colonialism is something like a dirty word to Kennedy. After Suez he said: "Since 1945 we have been tremendously hampered by diplomatic ties with Britain and France, who wish to preserve their colonial ties."

"We have taken a definite stand against colonialism for the first time since the war."

### Foreign aid

He believes in helping Europe to help itself. He would, for example, ask Britain to pay a large share of the cost of maintaining American military installations.

In these days a segment of opinion in the United States believes that Britain has lost much of her value to America, that her strategic positions in the Middle East and elsewhere have all but vanished; and that her nuclear strength is no longer worth taking seriously.

Its attitude to Europe is that Britain should first strengthen her ties with the Continent and find a new role for herself in the Anglo-American partnership.

I can see no evidence that Kennedy shares these views, but certainly a shift of focus is beginning.

Macmillan will no longer be the spokesman for the West, for from next January there will be a new, clipped, Harvard accent at the bargaining table. Kennedy is a firm believer in the armed parley. He will

move fast to take over the disarmament effort, and will probably bring Communist China into the nuclear test ban negotiations.

He will funnel money into the emerging nations who are now being ardently seduced by the Communists. He has been warned from Washington that a new Berlin crisis is likely to blow up this winter, or early next spring, and he intends to make it clear to Khrushchev that America would fight rather than surrender the city.

Kennedy's dramatic programme is not as radical as the right-wing voices hoarsely shouting "Socialism" would make it out to be.

In fact, it is no more leftist than Macmillan's. But in foreign affairs I believe fundamental changes are afoot and the next four years could be among the most exciting that America has ever seen.

(—London Express Service.)

FROM THE COMPLICATIONS OF A LEGAL DISPUTE COMES ONE VITAL QUESTION—

## Are our public men too squeamish?

ONCE upon time, it seems long ago, a British Government sent an army on what is now politely called "the Suez adventure." Some people thought it was a fine revival of British greatness. Others, that it was a wicked act of imperialist aggression.

That is neither here nor there. The adventure in any case wasn't much of a success. Randolph Churchill thought that this was the fault of Sir Anthony Eden, then Prime Minister, and said so in print.

Mr Nabarro, who is an M.P., called Mr Churchill a "coward." Mr Churchill sued Mr Nabarro for slander. He won his case, and got damages of £1,500. A month later Nabarro repeated his charge in a thinly-veiled reference in the Commons.

It is well known that one must never criticise court verdicts in any way, or suggest that our system of law has any possible fault.

But the whole affair seems very odd to me. Those involved in it have shown little sense of proportion, and have a curious idea of what is involved in public life.

### Not sacred

How could it possibly occur to anyone that Government was "cowardly"? Surely this is the first and most important job of any writer on politics. Our Government is not sacred. That happens only in Communist countries—or so they tell me. Far from being helpless and unable to answer back, leading Ministers have far too many ways of doing so in my opinion.

They can say the most outrageous things about their critics in the House of Commons. And again the critic has no redress—not even the right to reply.

They can use broadcasting and television to state their case. And again the critic has little chance.

I know, I was first banned from talking on the B.B.C. by order of the Labour Government (some men called Morrison), then later banned by order of a Conservative Government. And all because I said what was true of most Governments: that they were not much good.

The one thing Ministers cannot do is to silence the Press completely. Here a little crack or loophole exists. To use these cracks is not cowardly. It takes a good deal of courage. In general "cowardly" is one of the few epithets which I should not apply to Mr Randolph Churchill, if I dared to apply any (which I don't).

So much for Mr Nabarro. But I can't feel much more sympathy with Mr Churchill, who has got his £1,500. Why make all this fuss because someone calls you coward at a political meeting?

Who cares what Mr Nabarro says on this or any other subject? Who even

by A.J.P. Taylor

notices? We shall have no plain speaking on public affairs, and not much plain thinking, if we have to be looking over our shoulders all the time at the law of libel and slander.

If a man goes into public life, he should expect to have hard things said about him. And he should not mind.

If a man writes about politics, or about anything else, in the newspapers, he should expect abuse, especially from those who cannot answer his arguments.

### Harsh words

It always cheers me up when people are offensive about my articles. I know I've made my case. I've the sense to recognise that we have to live in the same world as the Russians. "Anti-German" only means that my memory goes back to the crimes committed in the last war.

The world of politics and literature was a healthier, more effective place when men could be more outspoken. Disraeli said of Gladstone that he was "a rhetorician incognito" with the exuberance of his own verbosity.

Gladstone did not take a libel action to prove his sobriety. He slammed back. Disraeli, too, had some rough passages. O'Connell said of him: "I verily believe that he descended from the impenitent thief upon the cross."

That would have caused uproar nowadays. Disraeli would have marched into the law courts, complete with his genealogy back to Heaven when he was born. O'Connell would have had to pay £2,000, or even been imprisoned for criminal libel.

And everyone would have been the worse for it. Politicians did not only say savage things about each other. They said savage things even about the Royal Family. Bagehot, editor of that staid paper the Economist, referred



"If a man goes into public life he should expect hard things to be said"

to Queen Victoria and the Prince of Wales as "a widow and her unemployed son."

More radical journals used to call her "Empress Brown," from the quite unfounded story that she had secretly married John Brown, her gillie.

What harm did such things do the monarchy? None at all.

### Not sure

I suppose there ought to be a law of libel against public men from imputations against their financial honesty or private morals. Even then, I am not sure. There is usually no smoke without fire.

As an historian, I would say that, nine times out of ten, the accusations of financial crookedness made against certain politicians had a foundation in fact. Honest politicians leave politics poorer than when they

went in. So how do the others manage?

Sir Robert Walpole, our first Prime Minister, turned gentleman from a modest country gentleman into a great magnate, with the greatest art-collection of the day, by putting his hand in the till.

When writers hinted at this in their play, Walpole set up the censorship of the theatre, which still exists. Yet the writers spoke the truth.

Gladstone said that he had known ten Prime Ministers, of whom four were adulterers.

At least two of these Prime Ministers denied the charge one time or another in the witness-box, and were believed by a British jury.

No one believes them now. (As a guessing-game, Wellington, Palmerston, and Melbourne were three of the Prime Ministers whom Gladstone had in mind. Who was the fourth? Gladstone himself? Or Canning and Queen Caroline?)

### Only way

In short, the only way of protecting your character is to have a good one. Then you do not need to appeal to the courts. M.P.s might bear that in mind when they set up a cry about "privilege." No one criticises them unless they themselves have provided some sort of excuse.

They are making an uproar just now at the suggestion that going on a sponsored tour to some foreign country with all expenses paid may influence their judgment. Of course it does not in the slightest. M.P.s are superhuman.

### My advice

I know from experience that if I go on invitation to some foreign country I come back with my views of that country a bit softer.

Of course, I wouldn't go unless I was prepared to be softened up in the first place. That is why I don't accept invitations to Germany. But I don't kid myself that two or three weeks of good living at someone else's expense has no effect at all.

Unlike M.P.s, I am human. I once took advice from a very eminent lawyer. He said to me: "Never go to court."

It would be a good thing if this advice were taken by all public men, journalists as well as politicians.

(—London Express Service.)

## IS TURKEY HIDING A NEW NASSER?

FOR weeks anxious intelligence officers of NATO's Sixth U.S. Fleet in the Mediterranean and at the U.S. air base at Izmir in Turkey have been trying their hand at political star-gazing.

For by the end of August they had become convinced that the new military regime in Turkey, over which the trusted General Gursel presided, was not all it seemed to be.

There was, they reported, a group of younger officers on the military committee who were, in their estimation, the real power behind the scenes. But who they were, and precisely what they wanted was none too clear.

### The conflict

Only one fact stood out like a warning sign: there was much talk of reviving Turkey's association with NATO and the United States. The NATO command was understandably concerned.

The situation was increasingly compared with that which preceded the Neguib-Nasser conflict in Egypt in the spring of 1954.

General Gursel, Turkey's Premier, was cast for the role of Neguib; but who was to carry Nasser's mantle?

When it became known that the conflict inside the Turkish Junta was identical with that which had preceded Neguib's eclipse.

The opponents of Gursel, the group of radical younger officers about whom people spoke but few could identify with any precision, were like Nasser in 1954—opposed to any surrender of power to any political party.

### No doubt

At the end of August came the first serious crisis, and Gursel then showed that he did not intend to follow in Neguib's fatal footsteps. He wanted to be something more than a popular, pipe-smoking father-figure.

At a meeting of the Junta at which only five of the 37 members were present, Gursel announced 10 major changes in the government, and one purely administrative switch.

The major changes were terms with the West—but also on identical good terms with Russia.

By JON KIMCHE

Then, but those in the know increasingly referred to him as the mystery opposition to Gursel.

There was no doubt about his influence. He had been behind the sudden dismissal of over a hundred professors and lecturers from the university.

He was behind the mounting rumblings against the inactivity of the Gursel group.

Turkey, a Cypriot Turk, emerged as the spokesman of the radical younger officers—and not yet as their leader.

When he does, there is little doubt that he will declare himself as heir to genuine "Kemalism"—and that is what the Western governments are worried about. For already the world has been about that Kemalism means being on good terms with the West—but also on identical good terms with Russia.

This effected the removal of Colonel Alparslan Turkes from the Prime Minister's office where he had acted as adviser and one of the most influential men of the regime. Not much had been said about Turkey publicly until

nothing against the Soviet Union.

That also was Kemal's policy; he had Communists hanged on the day on which he signed his treaty of friendship with the Russians.

But at the week-end, Gursel decided to go one step further in avoiding Neguib's fate. He dissolved the Junta, arrested Turkes and 13 of his supporters on the Junta, and then reformed the committee without the 13.

He has by this measure probably averted an immediate coup against him by Turkes and his friends. For the time being Gursel has the support of the principal army commanders.

### Not over

If the regime fails to achieve some success on the economic front then it will be only a matter of time before the authoritarians will try again.

Once again Turkey is beginning to look like the "sick man" of the Western Alliance unless the officers prove to be much more energetic and much more successful than their civilian predecessors.

KEMAL ATATURK, first President of the Republic of Turkey (1923-38).

(—London Express Service.)



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## How to get a kick out of keeping fit

ARE you too fat? Too thin? Too stiff? Too tired? Too fed up with life in general?

Newly opened in London is a club dedicated to turning the inevitable "yeses" into long resounding "NOs."

It is the first of a string of 50 planned for all the key cities in Britain—50 clubs containing Turkish baths, massage rooms, sun-loungers, and work-out gymnasia with spot-reducing and general slimming equipment. Plus, of course, the ubiquitous health juice bar.

With the Canadian business man backing this venture and his manager, I followed the path all members must take, down the purple-carpeted corridors, through the streamlined changing rooms to the check point, and the moment of truth—the "First Figure Analysis."

Detailed measurements of every member are listed on a "personal figure improvement chart," a routine is mapped out to suit and bingol—in she goes to the gymnasium.

The good work has commenced.

### Atmosphere

"What we're after is the cocktail atmosphere," said the manager as he led me across more acres of purple carpeting, past Italianate arches backed by mirror glass to a battery of chromium-plated machinery set out like a medieval torture chamber. "Our aim is something around 5,000 members."

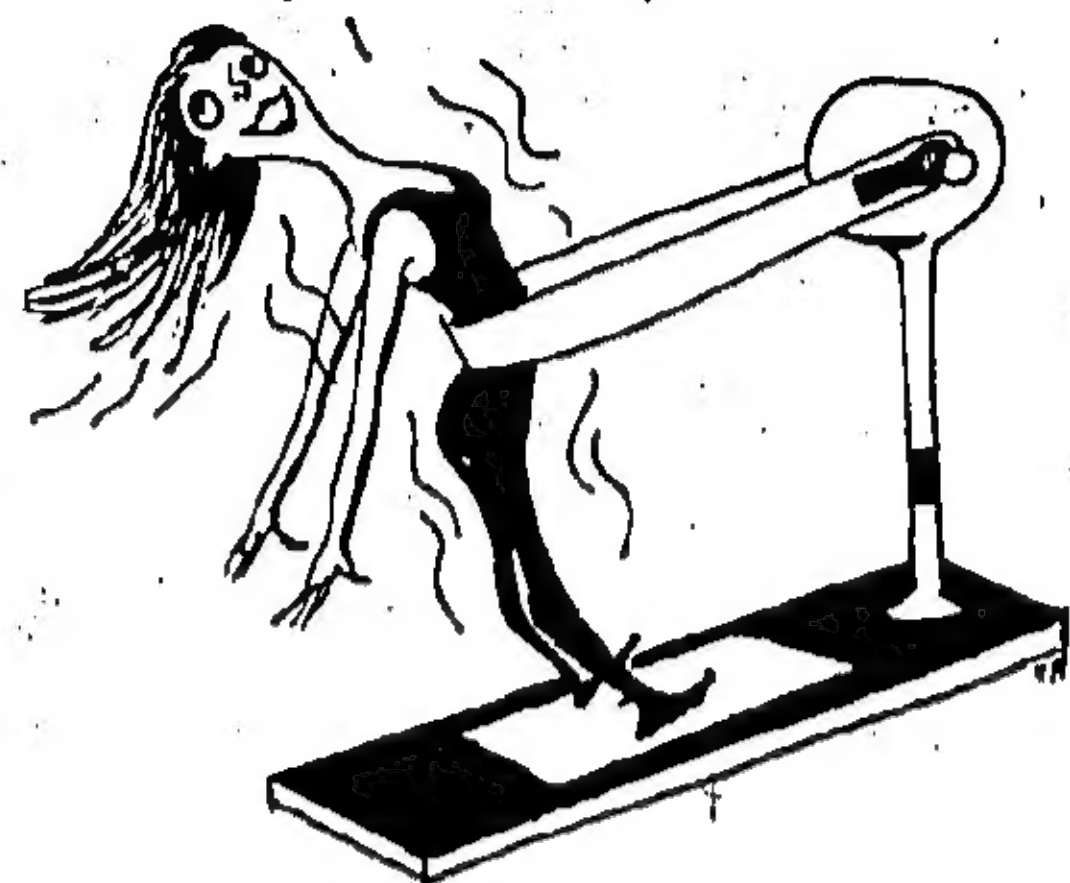
"Sure, we can accommodate them—though not all at once. I see friends drifting in for a chat and a work-out. It's a club with a purpose."

"Not only can we take off weight on this little number," he said, "but it's a real piece of machinery with revolving drums heavily-ridged to pummel away the pounds—'we can put it on' with this one." And we went on with a bouncing and bucking cross between a mechanical horse and a rowing machine.

The "cocktail atmosphere" is faithfully carried through to the far corners. Soft music plays endlessly on a grid kind of tempt the faint-hearted to stretch themselves on stream-lined racks.

Even the dumb-bells are gilded. "This kind of club is practically a cult in the U.S.A.," said the manager.

"At 25 guineas a year our services include as many trips



steadily everything was made of pipe-cleaners.

"They make the most magnificent stage lace and embroidery—and such splendid pieces for Christmas decoration."

"You really should experiment."

"I will," said I, "if there are any left."

### Healthier hair? Try this diet

HAIRDRESSER Alan Spiers has a dietetic chip on his shoulder—"because women will eat any old thing to improve their figures or their complexion, but never to improve their hair."

What is the best possible diet for a thick and glossy crop? I demanded.

The answer, it seems, is a feast of sea foods and water-cress—herein lies the vital iodine—plus rough bread, fruit, and vegetables.

"No, it does not mean you're going to have to exist on crabs and lobsters and lettuce," he assured me as I sharpened my pencil to note down his three-day crash diet for healthier hair.

Here it is:

### FIRST DAY

Breakfast: Apple, raisins, one egg, and two bread.

Lunch: Haddock, carrots, and cheese with celery.

Dinner: Veal cutlet, spinach, and anchovies on wholemeal toast.

### SECOND DAY

Breakfast: One orange, sardines on rye toast, and cress.

Lunch: Liver, Brussels sprouts, baked custard and fruit.

Dinner: Avocado pear, grilled mackerel, celery and watercress salad.

### THIRD DAY

Breakfast: Celery, watercress, a kipper, and rye toast.

Lunch: Shell fish, green salad, yoghurt, and fruit.

Dinner: Tuna fish mayonnaise, watercress, cottage cheese, wholemeal bread, and pears.

Drinks? "Just water—and as much as possible. It's terribly important."

And for those who go hungry on route? "Nibble a stick of celery," says the expert sharply.

Oh men!

### Surrender

That chromium-plated rowing machines and "a cocktail atmosphere" with soft music would mean nothing less than total surrender to the men who like to break the ice before they push the boat out.

And that in Britain we still walk—for pleasure.

But I had not the heart to burst their bright bubble of delight in their new venture.

Also, I have no doubt that women will revel in everything the clubs have to offer.

From the weary career girl to the "neurotic" suburbanite (steady now, I didn't invent "suburban neurosis"), all will delight in the chance to use the Clio-plasma decan.

"None," said Oliver. "It's simply not that kind of thing."

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THEY HAVE ALL FAILED TO CAPTURE  
THE MATTHEWS MAGIC, BUT...

## Stephen Hill should keep the England No. 7 spot

By BERNARD JOY

Stephen Hill, the diminutive Blackpool outside-right, has already impressed in the League side and is now regarded as the successor to Stanley Matthews, who had played 19 times for England before Hill was born. Hill is only 20. So he has a chance of succeeding where others have failed.

During the week Arthur Kaye, determined Yorkshireman though he is, gave up the heart-breaking task of trying to oust Matthews and joined Middlesbrough, even though it meant a drop in his basic weekly wage from £20 to £18.

Yet 18 months ago, when he was signed from Barnsley for £15,000, Blackpool chairman Albert Hindley said: "We believe Kaye will be a worthy successor to Stanley Matthews."

### Comparison

A knee injury handicapped Matthews last season, yet the remarkable fact is that Kaye found it easier to replace either Scotland in-side-to-ward Jackie Mudie, or England outside-left Bill Perry than to command the outside-right position.

The reason? Kaye told me: "I am inevitably compared to Stanley — and you can't live up to that brilliant standard every week. If you make a mistake the crowd see that you don't forget it."

Seven years ago Blackpool obtained Irish international outside-right John McKenna from Huddersfield. He went the way of all Blackpool outside-rights, like Sandy Harris, Stanley Hepton, Albert Hobson — and now Arthur Kaye.

Each was pushed into the shadows as remorselessly as Matthews gains the ascendancy over a left-back.

They need not worry, Johnny Hancock, Jackie Milburn, Peter Harris and even the great Tom

Finney found Matthews equally indestructible at the England level.

Oddly, Matthews does not like to see a rival go. He told me: "It is good to have competition. It keeps you on your toes."

Of Hill, he says: "He is a very useful player with a lot of natural ability. He had a bad spell recently, but that comes to all youngsters, and in the last month he has come back again."

It was Matthews, who persuaded his "terrible twin," Stanley Mortensen, to make a comeback with Lancaster City.

He told Mortensen: "You like training with us, so why don't you play again? As long as you enjoy the game and it keeps you in good health, you keep on playing."

Mortensen is 38. Matthews, who is rising 46, told him: "You're only a boy. You're nowhere near your prime yet."

### £190,000 transfers

Kaye is one of the seven leading players transferred in the last eight days for a total cost of £190,000.

The fees ranged from £47,500 for George Eastham to £10,000 for Kaye. In between are: Hearts players Alec Young and George Thomson, Noel Cantwell, Jimmy Bloomfield and Albert Scanlon.

Apart from Cantwell and Young, not one is a full international. Yet their cost equals the wages and bonuses paid to all the 2,700 professionals in

the League during an entire month.

It is the discrepancy between soaring fees and a tied maximum wage which puts the Football League chiefs in such a difficult position in trying to meet the demands of the players.

As with most industrial disputes, a face-saving device is needed to prevent a strike.

Such a device is put forward by Fulham manager Frank Osborne, who suggests that the present wage structure be retained, and clubs be allowed to pay individual talent money up to, say, £1,000 per person at the end of the season.

### Profit-sharing

Osborne says: "Players would be assessed according to their value to the club. A 90 minutes player, who gives everything could be regarded on the same scale as an international. It would be a form of profit-sharing."

"Ambitious clubs like Crystal Palace could hold on to their Johnny Byrne, but the general result would be for the better players to gravitate to the more powerful clubs, thus forming a super League."

Fulham inside-right Jimmy Hill, who is chairman of the Professional Footballers' Association, thinks the scheme "might be acceptable." I understand Everton have a proposal along the same lines. The club will have the chance of showing approval at the chairman's meeting on December 9. — (London Express Service).

### SPORTING SAM



by Reg. Wootton

### WEST INDIES ANNOUNCE TEST TEAM

Brisbane, Dec. 7. West Indies include two men new to Test cricket in their first Test which begins here on Friday, December 9.

They are Peter Lushley and Cammie Smith, both of Barbados. Lushley, 23, is a round left-hand bat and good fieldman. Smith, 27, is a tall, wiry-built opening batsman.

The team announced today is as follows: Frank Worrell (Captain), Gerry Alexander, Conrad Hunke, Cammie Smith, Garfield Sobers, Rohan Kanhai, Joe Solomon, Peter Lushley, Seymour Munro, Alf Valentine and Wesley Hall. Lance Gibbs is twelfth man.

### A SURPRISE

The West Indies select has caused a surprise by packing the side with batsmen and omitting fast bowler Chester Watson.

Their decision was no doubt influenced by the recent game here against Queensland in which the pitch was more in favour of spin than speed. The selectors obviously decided that they must reinforce the batting against Australia's heavy spin attack. In doing so they have preferred Lushley to the more experienced Seymour Munro.

It is certain that Smith will open the innings with Hunke, leaving Solomon to bat about number six or seven.

There are only three specialist bowlers in the side — Hall, Ramadhin and Valentine — although Worrell and Sobers have done quite a deal of bowling in Test matches. Worrell will use the new ball with Hall. — China Mail Special.

### Sports Diary

TODAY  
Combined Civilian v RAF Singapore, Chatter-road, 11 am.  
Far East Land Forces C'ships, Victoria Park, 6 pm.

## Hongkong in the Pacific Coast Baseball League?

Vancouver, Dec. 8. Manila, Tokyo, Singapore, Hongkong, Yokohama and Mexico City all will be members of the Pacific Coast League within 10 years, Dewey Soriano, president of the Triple-A Baseball Circuit, predicts.

### FIGHT OFFER FOR PONE KINGPETCH

Maracaibo, Dec. 7. Venezuela boxing promoter Radio Cadenal today offered Pone Kingpetch of Thailand \$30,000 to defend his world flyweight title here against Ramon Arias of Venezuela. Arias recently defeated Mundo Espinosa of Mexico.

Cadenal asked Anthony Petronella, President of the National Boxing Association, to undertake negotiations for the fight which would be held next February. He added that Arias would not engage in any other bouts until a decision has been made on a fight with Kingpetch.

Meanwhile in Bangkok it was learnt that Kingpetch may fight Japan's Mitsunori Seki in his first bout since returning the title in Los Angeles in September.

Pone's camp has been in contact with Seki who may be the first contender since he became champion.

Boxing sources here said that the fight, if it materialises, would probably be a non-title bout. — AP.

Soriano said in an interview the decision of Honolulu to enter the League will spark a boom around the Pacific rim that will see other cities following suit.

Honolulu's entry is the only big geographical move in a planned baseball league during this century, Soriano said. "Baseball has stood still for 50 years," Honolulu has finally moved it off the continent — 10 years from now there can be a World Series that is a World Series."

"Honolulu's just the first step. There are other places — Manila, Japan, the whole rim of the Pacific — love baseball and are ripe for organized leagues. Honolulu coming in will start the ball rolling."

They have plans on the drawing boards now that will move people twice as fast as present jets. Soriano was here conferring with executives of the Vancouver Mounties team. Soriano predicted the Pacific Coast League would display a better brand of baseball in 1961. — AP.

### Papp may fight Scholz for Europe title

Vienna, Dec. 7. A European middleweight boxing title fight between West German holder Gustav Scholz and Hungary's Laslo Papp could be held on January 6 next, declared Papp's Viennese manager Rudolf Pachmann here today.

The site of the fight has yet to be fixed. Pachmann said that the champion's manager Fritz Greissel had told him on the telephone that, after a medical examination, over-the-weight Scholz had been told he would come to no harm getting his weight down to below the middleweight limit.

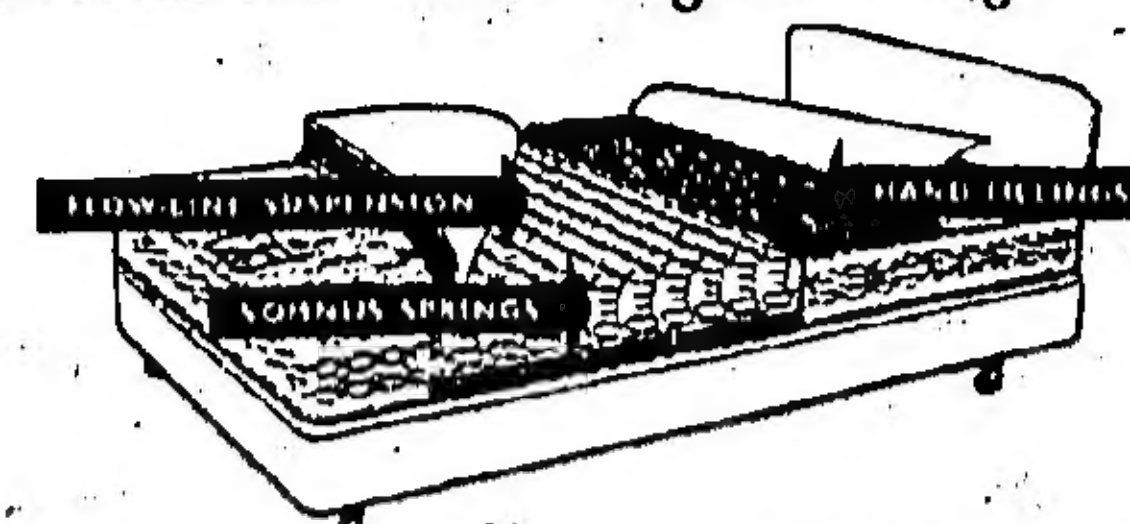
Scholz said he was prepared to meet Papp, the former triple Olympic boxing champion, on January 6.

Pachmann also revealed that French promoter Gilbert Bonahin had told him to make arrangements for a non-title fight between Sugar Ray Robinson, the former world middleweight champion, and Papp in Vienna next February. Robinson who narrowly failed to take the world middleweight title (National Boxing Association version) from title-holder Gene Fulmer at Los Angeles last Saturday is planning a European boxing tour. Bonahin is his European representative. — AFP.

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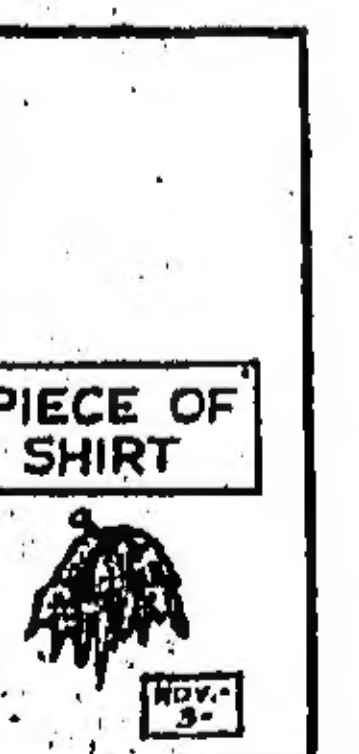
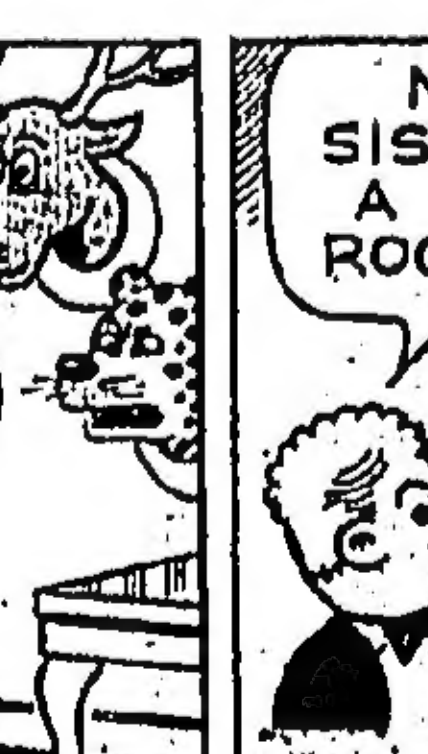
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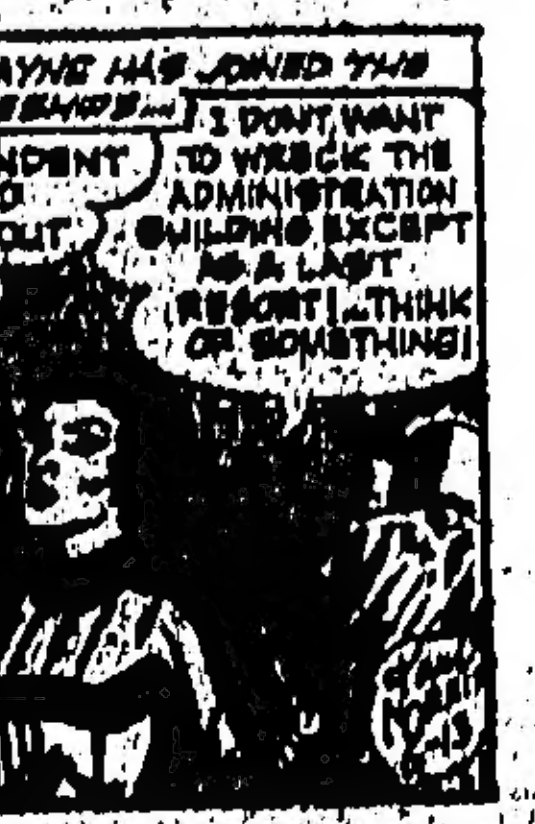
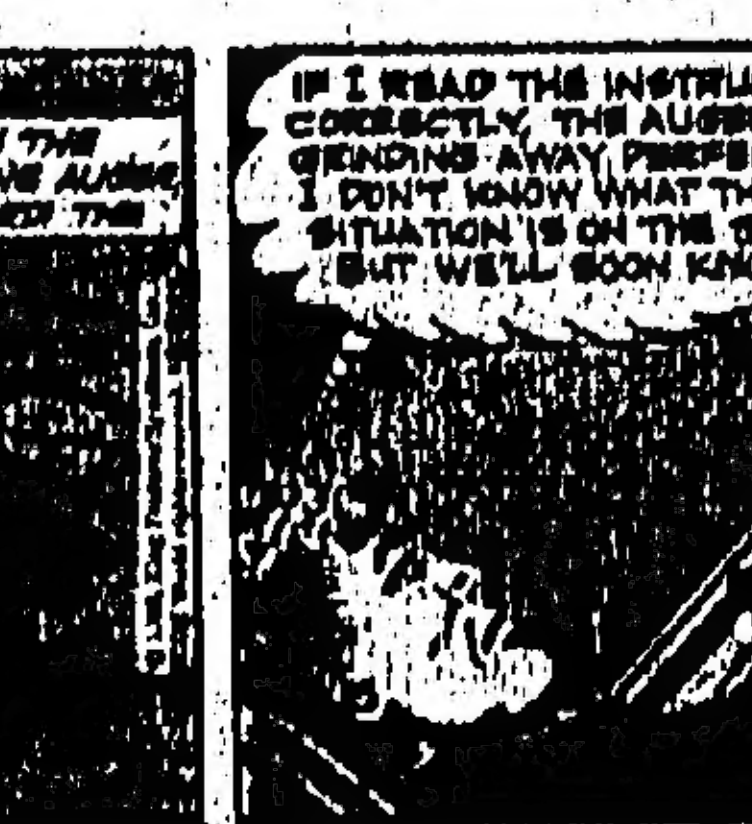
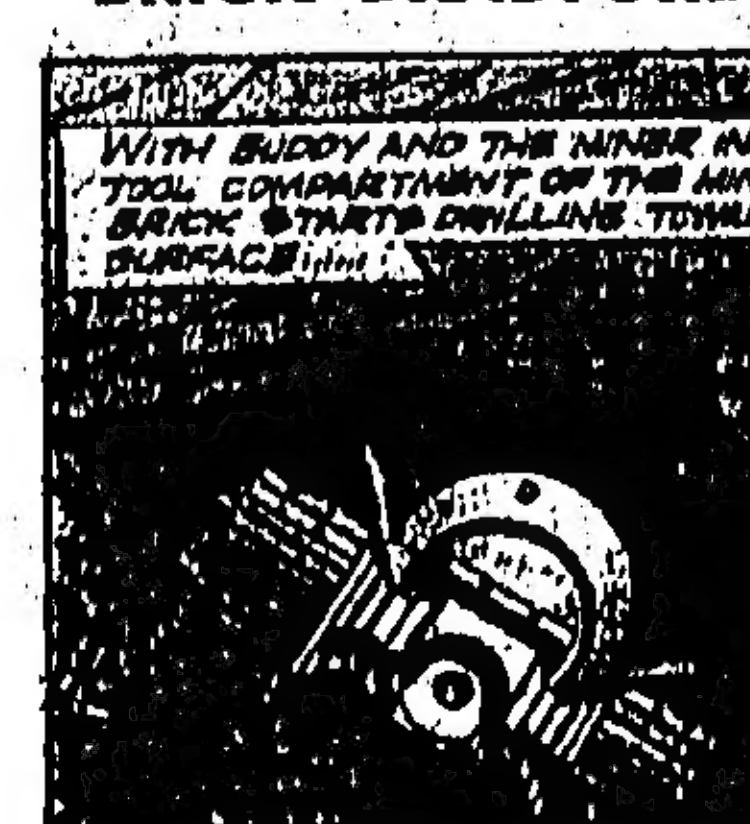
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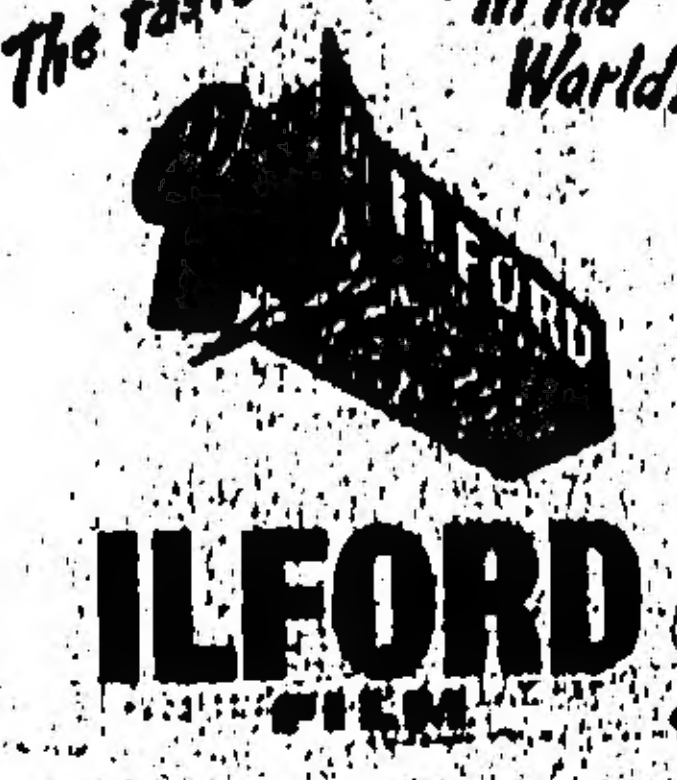
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